

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A non-fried and dehydrated food product, ~~obtainable~~ obtained by heating and dehydrating a food material in a concentrated aqueous trehalose solution, and collecting the resulting dehydrated food material from said concentrated aqueous trehalose solution.

2. (Original) The food product according to claim 1, wherein said food material is partially pre-dehydrated by soaking in an aqueous trehalose solution.

3. (Original) The food product according to claim 1, wherein said food material is a member selected from the group consisting of fruits, vegetables, seeds, meats, fishery products, seaweeds, and processed products thereof.

4. (Currently Amended) The food product according to claim 1, which ~~retains~~ stably retains the color tint inherent to said food material.

5. (Original) The food product according to claim 1, wherein said food material is swelled or deformed with respect to the original shape of said food material.

6. (Original) The food product according to claim 1, which is adhered and coated with crystalline trehalose dihydrate.

7. (Original) A non-fried and cooked food product simulating a fried food product in taste and mouth-feel, and which is obtained in the substantial absence of added lipids by providing a concentrated aqueous trehalose solution having a trehalose concentration of at least 50%, placing the food product in solid form in said concentrated aqueous trehalose solution, and cooking said solid food product in said concentrated aqueous trehalose solution at a temperature of at least 70°C until said solid food product has become cooked and crispy.

8. (Original) The non-fried and cooked food product of claim 7 further having a coating thereon of crystalline trehalose dihydrate.

Claims 9 and 10. Cancelled.